

'PM TO ANSWER QUESTIONS OVER DNAA'

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PRIME Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim is expected to answer queries over the discharge not amounting to an acquittal (DNAA) given to Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Ahmad Zahid Hamidi in the Dewan Rakyat today.

Minister in Prime Minister's Department (Law and Institutional Reform) Datuk Seri Azalina Othman said the prime minister would do so during his winding-up session for the 12th Malaysian Plan (12MP) midterm review.

"Will the prime minister an-

swer? He is here and he gave the nod, which means he will answer.

"God willing, (the session will be) between 2.30pm to 3.30pm (today)," she said in the august house yesterday.

Azalina said this in response to a question from Datuk Seri Takiyuddin Hassan (Perikatan Nasional-Kota Baru) on whether Anwar would answer questions from members of parliament (MP) regarding Zahid's DNAA in court.

On Friday, Anwar had said he might answer questions with regard to Zahid's court discharge in Parliament. When speaking to reporters, the prime minister briefly said: "Maybe, *InsyaAllah* (God willing)."

This comes after a government backbencher, Hassan Abdul Karim (Pakatan Harapan-Pasir Gudang), told the Dewan Rakyat last week that MPs should be allowed to ask questions about Zahid's DNAA during the Prime Minister's Question Time



Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim speaking to Tourism, Arts and Culture Minister Datuk Seri Tiong King Sing in the Dewan Rakyat yesterday. BERNAMA PIC